Important to Tax Payers.

NON-RESIDENTS TO BE ASSESSED—THE PROBABLE
BATE OF TAXES.

Tax payers must not forget that the assessment rolls of the several wards are now open for examination and correction, at the Tax Commissioner's office, in the New City Hall. Those desirous of examining them can do so any time before the 25th day of June next, when they will be closed, and no further correction allowed. There can be no mitigation of the amount of tax levied after that date, as the record shown by the books is final and without appeal.

It is the general impression that the valuation of property in this city, particularly of personal property, is exceedingly inaccurate, and is far lower than a true statement of the facts would warrant. And no doubt this is true; indeed, our present plan of electing assessors in the several wards, has a tendency to bring about just such a result. The best assessor with us is the one who will place the value of property in his district at as low a rate as possible, and should one of them attempt to do his duty, he would find himself next year relieved from the cares of his office. The total valuation of property in this city, last year, was \$152,021,734, no doubt a more accurate estimate would prove it to be in the neighborhood of \$600,000,000.

The Legislature at its last session passed a bill taxing the personal property of non restreats, thus making them pay their just proportion of the State taxes, which they have not heretofore done. The following is the law, which bears date February 27, 1855:-

All persons and associations doing business in the State of New York, as mershants, bankers or other rise, either as principals or partners, whether special or otherwise, and not residents of this State, shall be assessed and taxed on all sums invested in any manner in said business, the same as if they were residents of this State; and said taxes shall be collected from the property of the firms, persons, or associations to which they severally belong.

It will be seen that the above law makes no provision for other than persons who reside out of the State, and does not apply to the personal property of persons who do business in New York and reside in the adjacent towns and villages. But, nevertheless, it is estimated that the law as passed will add to the taxable property of the city nearly \$30,000,600, a sum that must have some effect in chesping the rate of taxation to our citizens. The largest amount of personal property of any one non-resident is \$250,000. There is another large class of persons who now escape taxation. for whose benefit it would be well to pass a special law. We allude to the floating population, whose migratory habits render a proper valuation of their personal pro-perty next to impossible, under our present tax laws.

The first Monday in June the Centus Marshals will commence their labers, and as they have orders to estimate real estate and personal property without regard to its present assessed value, their labors, if properly conducted, will be of great use in reforming our presen imperfect tax list, and will be the basis of an improved

be about \$15 on every thousand, higher-we believe, than it ever has been.

### City Intelligence.

Basz Ball.—Our readers are perfectly aware that the good old fashioned game of base ball is at present receiving much attention among the lovers of sport and manly exercise. Five clubs are organized and in opsration in this city and Brooklyn, composed of some thirty or forty members each, and are in continual practice. Three of them play at the cilysian Fields, Hoboken, one on every afternoon during the week—the Knickerbocker Club on Monday and Thursday, the Eagle Club en Tussday and Friday, and the Empire Club on Wednesday and Saturday. One other, the Gotham Club, plays at the Red House, Harlem, on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. The Excelsior Club of Brooklyn, we understand, have not as yet arranged their days of practice. We would recommend such of our reasers who have sufficient leisure, to join one of these clubs. The benefit to be derived, especially to the man of sedentary habits is incalculable, and the blessing of health and a diminished dester's bill may reasonably be expected to flow from a punctus! attendance. On Friday, the first of June, the Knickerbocker and Gotham Clubs will play a match at the Red House, Harlem, and the Esgle an Empire Clubs will also play a match at the Hysian Fields on Friday, the 15th of June. Malches betwee the Knickerbocker and Engle and the Gotham and Eagle Clubs are also expected to come of Juning the month of June. The play takes place during the atternoon, commencing at about three o'clock.

A Child Run Over and Killed by a Cart.—Yesterday thirty or forty members each, and are in continual prac-

A CHILD RUN OVER AND KILLED BY A CART.—Yesterde afternoon, a little boy, about five years of age, name! John Milline, son of Mr. Miline, of 50 Vessy street, was run ever and killed, by a house and cart, driven by John Connor. The occurrence took place just opposite the remidunce of the child, who was playing in the middle of the street at the time. The Third ward police on being notified of the fact, arrested Comor and conveyed him to the Tombs, where Justice Connoily committed him to Corener U'Donnell was notified of the occurrence, and will hold an inquest upon the body of the deceased to

FATAL RESULT OF A RAILROAD ACCIDENT .- On Saturday night last, a man named Dennis Burke, living at No. Rossevelt street, was accidentally run over on the Second avenue rallroad, in South street, near Peck slip. The deceased was severely injured, and was conveyed to the New York hospital by the Fourth ward police. Here he lingered until yesterday, when death put an end to his sufferings. Coroner O'Donnell was no lided of the fact, but in consequence of some difficulty encountered in the getting of witnesses, the inquest was postponed until to-day. The driver of the car, (No. 14) and also the conductor, have been subpossed at the coroner's office to attend.

FIRE IN CITY HALL PLACE . . About 8 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire was discovered on the fourth floor of Mr. George Bruce's type foundry, carner of Chamber street and City Hall place. The fire was occasioned by a defect in the tin covering of the area to chimney leading from the steam boiler. The beams and the undernesting part of the flooring were charred by the fire before extinguished. Damage trifling.

FIRE IN MINATTA STREET.—At 12 o'clock on Thursday

night an alarm of fire was given, caused by Mrs. Andrews, of No. 2 Minetta street, accidentally setting fire to her clothing, while laboring under an aberration or mind.
Policeman Sandford, assisted by some citizens, soon extinguished the fire. The unfortunate woman was sent to the Fifteenth ward station bouse and Dr. Griavold sent for, who proneunced her injuries not of a serious nature.

Pourth district last night, between nine and ten o'clock. was caused by a fire discovered is a private stable, situwas caused by a new discovered is a private sizele, size, atted on East Fifteenth street, near the Fourth avenue. The firemen were quickly atwork and extinguished the fiames before they spread beyond the stable. The horses were extricated without injury. A carpenter's shop belonging to Mr. Lewis, adjoins the stable, but did not receive any damage.

My camerous friends in this of THE HERALD. My numerous friends in this city, and the public generally, will oblige me by suspending their opinion in regard to the Sixth avenue railroad case yesterday, as I feel condicate the civil axis I am about to commence will vindecate my right, who when the the law and the facts are on my side; also that the public is against the company and in my favor. This is the issue. What is the law I Who has violated in this case? This guession mest be decided by a Judge of the Superfor Cours. It is not a xuestion of prejudice or practice, or of white or black; but it is a rimple question of civil law.

29 Sixth street, May 25th, 1855.

ARREST OF ALLEGED COUNTREPARTERS.—Yesterday moraing, officers Hubbs, Mathews and Van Wagoner made a descent upon a house in Concord street, near Pearl, and arrested two men and a woman, on suspicion of being

TAKEN TO THE STATE PRIBON .- Rosanna Smith, convict ed of grand largeny in the late term of the Hudson

count of Oyer and Terminar, and sentenced to the State pricon for six months, was taren to Treaton ou Thursday, to commence her torm of imprisonment. THE RAILROAD BUDGE Over the Delaware river at Lacks waren, on the New York and Eric Rellroad, will probably he rebuilt, so that the passenger train will pass over it this (Saturday) atterneon.

A New STRAMSHIP LINE.-The citizens of Portland.

hitherto feeling the need of steam communication to this pert, have held out inducements to parties here, to start a line of steamers between our respective cities, and we are informed that Captain John Riley has accordingly made arrangements to put the two fine steamships Cale donis and Westernport on this route to sail from hence, on citizens of Portland to do their part by furnishing freight by New York capital. On looking over this route we notice that the distance between this port and Portland is not greater than the distant from here to Boston, and the run from Vineyard found to Portland is considered by mariners less haz ardous than from the same point to Boston. From Lence to Nantucket the route is through the Long Island and Vineyard Sound, being as safe as the Stonington or Fall River. Portland is the most commodious and accessible harbor on the coast, and the distance from this city to Montreal and Quebec, we are informed, via l'ort-land and the Grand Trunk Railroad is shorter and more eligible than by any other conveyance. We think the enterprise deserves the attention of merchants ship

ACADEMY OF MUSIC-" ERNANI."-The " Ecnani" of Verdi-certainly the most popular of that composer's operas-drew a full and distingué house to the Academy of Music last evening. The audience was superior, both in numbers and appearance, to that of any of the previous performances of the La Grange troupe, and this fact proves conclusively that the artists are gradually gaining that place in the public estimation which they deserve.

"Ernani" has been done here so often that no lengthened description of the plot and music is newseary. It is, like all Verdi's operas, distinguished for dramatic power, and the librettist has not been over-nice in putting atrong effects at the expense of improbabilities, some times going over the mark of dramatic license. The soprano, as usual, is absurd enough to prefer a handsome tenor-a bandit who turns out to be a duke, singularly enough-to a crusty old bass and a baritone, the last named person belog quite a good fellow for a king. After numerous trou-bles and conspiracies, the tenor receives the soprano and his dukedom under a sort of general amnesty, but his elderly rival succeeds in demolishing the young lovers while they are enjoying the first fruits of their happiness. A shockingly bad ending, as all the ladies

The east of "Ernani" at the Academy is a strong one neluding Mme, de La Grange as Elvira, Signor Mirate as Ernani, Signor Morelli as the King, and Signor Marini as Don Silva. The Eivira of the night was deficient in framatic power, but superb in vocalism. She did not receive quite so much applause as on previous occasicus, as her profuse ornamentation, quite proper in Rosina and Lucia. would be out of place in Elvira. Her cavatina, Ernani involami, was charmingly rendered, and the duet with Ernani in the second act, "Ah morir," was given with much feeling and expression. Musically speaking, Mms. La Grange's Elvira was excellent, but she did not seem to attempt to act. Ernani was very good, both in acting and singing. His scene, in the second act, with Silva, was excellent. Signor Morelli's performance of the King must be considered, however, the crowning glory of the night. We have seen nothing equal to its artistic finish, both in acting and singing, for many a day. Signer Marini's Silva seemed as powerful and effective as ever. The opera was well cared for in the mise en scene, and was applauded throughout. It was be given again on Monday evening.

NIBLO'S GARDEN-ENGLISH OPERA,-Mr. W. V. Wallace's opera, "Maritana," was given last night, to a se. Miss L. Pyne sang Maritana in her usual exquisite style, and the other parts were well represented by Mr. Harrison, Miss S. Pyne and Mr. Borraul. Thi evening, the "Daughter of the Regiment."

WALLACK TEPTIMONIAL - an adjourned meeting of the friends of J. W. Wallack, Esq , was held at the St. Nicholas Hotel, on Thursday evening, the 24th last, Capt. U. P. Levy in the chair. After a series of resolutions, expressing sympathy for Mr. Wallack's long illness, his restoration to health, his worth as a manager, actor and man, the following gentlemen enrolled theming for which the meeting was convened:—Capt. U. P. Lavy, U. S. N.; James Phalen, John C. Holland, Robert Emmet, Denning Duer, G. A. Conover, John Hoey, C. W. A. Rodgers, E. A. Marshall, Caleb Marshall, Jonas B.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT - Coroner Wilhelm held an inquest yesterday upon the body of Frank Ru'ner, the boy who was killed on Thursday night, by being run over by one of the New Haven freight cars, in Fourth avenue, near the Bible House. The evidence taken on avenue, near the Bible House. The evidence taken on the occasion went to show that the driver of the car could not possibly have averted the accident, as the car was close upon the unfertunate child ere the driver was aware of his presence. The jury rendered the following verdict:—"That the deceased came to his death by the effects of a compound fracture of the left thigh, and other injuries received by being run over by one of the New York and New Haven ireight cars, said car being driven by Franklin Fex. The jury exculpate the driver from all blame, but argently recommend that some means be taken to prevent similar accidents, and that the company are ceasurable for not having a brakeman between the two cars, (which were connected together,) by which means the accident might have been prevented." The deceased was nine years of age.

Suicide by Taking Arsenic.—An inquest was held by Coroner Gamble, upon the body of a woman named Catharine Hodge, at her late residence in Fifty-second street, near Eleventh avenue, who died from the effects of a cose of arsenic administered by her own hand, for

of a cose of arsenic, administered by her own hand, for the purpose of committing suicide. It appeared from the testimony taken on the occasion, that the deceased had of late been addicted to the too free use of intoxicating liquors, which created a difficulty between ther and her bushand, he being a temperate and respectable man; that on Wednesday she swallowed a dose of arsenic, and upon (olog so informed her mother, then in the house, of the fact. A doctor was immediately sent for, who prescribed the proper remedies, but without effect, as the deceased expired the following morning, manifesting up to the last moment a wish for death. The Jury realercial verdict of suicide. The deceased was forty years of age, and was a native of Ireland.

FORND DROWNED,—Corcner Gamble held an inquest at per No. 40 East river, upon the body of an anthony of a cose of arsenic administered by her own hand, for

p'er No. 40 East river, upon the body of an unknown men, about twenty years of age, who was found floating in the river at this point. The deceased had sanily hair, were heop rings in his ears, and had probably been in the water about two weeks. The jury rendered a verdict of "ceath by drowning."

## The Tark.

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B. K. Bonham's b. m. Nameless.

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THE PARADE, INSPECTION AND REVIEW OF THE FO-LICE FORCE IN THE PARK.

To-day has been designated by Mayor Wood as the one on which the inspection and review of the price shall take place, and arrangements for this interesting affair have been completed on a very extensive scale. This is the first time the whole force has been brought togeth. er since the organization of the department. The fel-lowing will be the order of arrangements:—

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The companies from every district, consisting of 32 mea each and 3 efficers, which, tygether with the reserved corps, will number in all between 900 or 1,000 men, will march from their respective districts and be in the Park at 2 o'clock precisely.

On arriving on the ground they will be formed into three battalions, the right resting on Chatham atreet, and the left west of the City Hall on Broadway. They will then be ordered into line by double file at 2½ o'clock, and when ready for inspection and review, it will be amounced to the Mayor, who will immediately proceed to make a thorough inspection and review of every man, accutinizing with care his appearance dress and carriage, and noting his knowledge of the dull exercise. During the review the line will extend from Broadway to Chatham atreet, in open order, the Mayor passing between, accompanied by his clerk, prepared to make memorandums of interest.

The several battalions will then be formed in a three square, four men deep, in front of the Hall, whea his lionor will present the medals, procured by him at his personnal expense, to those members of the department whose meritorions actions entitle them in his judgment to receive consideration at his hands. From aming the whole force he has eelected seven members who are well deserving of this honor, each of whom will be addressed by him, and the nature of the service reniered atated. The medal is of aliver, and the workmanship very beautiful. Its design is a shirld, surmonned by an eagle bearing a scroll, on which is the motto, "Fat Justicia ruat Cectum."

On the shield are stars with the words N. Y. Police, and the motto "Partum est Merito." On the obverse.

On the shield are stars with the words N. Y. Police, and the motto "Partim est Merito." On the obverse, "Presented to —, by F. Wood, Esq., Mayor, 1855 and 1856."

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After the ceremonies of presenting these awards of merit, the Mayor will deliver his address. On its conclusion they will again form into line and each company will repair to its respective station house. It is uncertainty to the respective station house. It is uncertainty to the state of the company will repair to its respective station house. It is uncertainty to the state of the constant of the state of the critical exercise, will march and countermarch in front of the Hall.

Between the ceremonies Dodworth's colebrated band of thirty-five pieces will perform.

The invited guests, consisting of the members of the city government, Mayors, &c., of the adjoining cities, who may be present, together with other distinguished citients, will be provided for in the Governer's room, Mayor's office, and other apartments in the Hall, where they will be enabled to witness the whole affair.

STREET CLEANING MACHINES—A DIRTY TRUK.

STREET CLEANING MACHINES-A DIRTY TRICK. chines, which have given to the First, Second, Fourth and Sixth wards such a clean and healthy appearance, and has become the subject of general remark, has brought upon the proprietors, Messrs. Smith, Seckel & the enmity and malice of the advocates of the old Co., the enmity and malice of the advocates of the old fashioned and stale system of manual labor. A mean and contemptible plan of injuring the directors has been resorted to. List carts filled with all sorts of rubbish and filth, the tail boards of which are purposely fixed on locaely, so that the contents of the carts may have an easy egress, have been going about daily now for a whole week, over a part of Brosdway, above Spring street which is being cleaned by the machines. A memorial was received by the Mayor, signed by several merchants doing business in that vicinity, complaining bitterly that such disgraceful conduct should be permitted, and asking His Honor to take proper measures for its prevention. It is to be boped that this matter will be seen to.

### Police Intelligence.

Yesterday, officers Spicer and Bostwick, of the Court of General Sessions, arrested Smith Dunning, Jr., and James S. Dunning, on a bench warrant issued from this court, wherein they stand charged with being impli-cated with William B. McGuckin, late teller of the Ocean Cated with Whilliam B. McGuckin, iste feller of the Costal Bank of this city, in embezzling funds from that insti-tution to the amount of \$75,000. The accused were brought before Recorder Smith, who held them to ball in the sum of \$10,000 to answer. The requisite ball having been procured, the accused were allowed to de-part at liberty. The indictionants against these parties were found by the Grand Jury of the April term.

CHARGE OF RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS. Capt. Norris and officer Darly, of the Tenth Ward Police, arrested a man named Jacob Messenger, keeping a grocery store at 217 Second street, on charge of hava greery store at 217 Second street, on charge of having been receiver of a quantity of property which it is alleged was stolen from the Eric railroad depot, at the foct of Duane street. The property stolen (12 firkins of butter), was the property of Messra. Condit & Noble, of Water street. The butter, it is alleged, was taken by a colored man named Stephens, who had been employed to convey the same from the railroad pier to the store of the swenger, and there disposed of it at less than the original cost. The accused was taken before Justice Welsh, at the Essex Market Police Court, when he was committed for examination. The alleged this still continues at large.

ALLEGED FELONIOUS ASSAULT ON SHIPBOARD. Rappahannock, was arrested by officer Marshall, of the first ward police, and brought before Justice Consolly at the Lower Police Court, charged with having feloni-cusly assaulted one of the crew, named Michael Ryan, by striving bim several blows on the head with a cap-

## CHARGE OF BURGLARY.

A complaint was made yesterday before Justice Bren-ran, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, by William W. Norton, proprietor of a furnishing store at \$45 Broadway, against William Thompson, one of the men arrested at Wilson's house in Ninth avenue, on suspicion of burglary, for burglariously entering his store by forcing off the padlock of the froat door, and then picking the lock with a false key. The complainant alleges that a quantity of collars, laces, cravats, kid gioves, and other articles of ladies' and gentlemen's furnishing goods, smounting in all to about \$1,000, were stolen from his premises. He has identified a portion of the goods icund in Thompson's possession, and heace the charge of burglary. The examination in the case of these prisoners will come off to day before Justice Brennan.

Personal Intelligence.

The Fhilacelphia North American, of the 24th inst., says.—Col. Henry, L. Rinney, the leader of the expedition to Micaragua, left this city for new York on Wednesday morning. We learn that it is his intention to rail from that port on Sanday, in one of the fastest vessels affect, so that we shall soon hear of his doings in Central America.

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The Post of this city cays:—Col. Kinney, who now re-joices in his exemption from the ciutobes of the law, is again in tewn, making every preparation to sail on an early day of next week. He still adheres to his anti-fall-bustering profe sion declaring that the letter extract-ed from the Erownsville Flesy, which has been extensive-by published to his damage, is a forgery; and that he never authorized, wrote or sigued such a manifesto.

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A New York correspondent of the Boston Journal writes as follows:—In passing down Twelfth street today I mat, for the first time for many months, General Scott. He resides in a splendid mansion in that street, which he has purchased since the title of Lieutenant General was given to him, with the salary added from the time of the war with Mexico. He grows old quite rapidly, and the change in his appearance since the result of the campaign that elected Gen. Pierce is vary apparent. His lofty form is bowed down—his elastic step has passed away—a look of sadness and wearlness has settled upon those once expressive and decided features. He leads a vary retired life—see but little company—rarely appears in public, and usually walks alone. It is not possible to see Gen. Scott, and not be atruck with the truthfulness of shakespere's assertion, that there is a tide in the affairs of men."

Browst Lieut. Col Braxton Bragg, of the Third Artillery, has declined the majority in the new cavalry regiment, recently tendered to him.

The Hon. William Jay, President of the American Peace Scotety, is ancounced to deliver the address at its anniversary, in Boston, next Monday evening.

Hen Wm. L. Lee, Chief Justics of the Sandwich Island, was in Louisville, Ky, on the 22d inst. Mr. Lee also an accredited minister or commissioner from the Hawalian government to that or the United States, clothed with authority to negotiate a special treaty of commercial reciprocity between the two countries.

ARRIVALS.

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At the St Nicholas—Thos C. Rear, Virginia: John B. Williams, A. A. Ripka, Fhiladelphia: Dr. Huga Nelson, Virginia; Aurelian Concklin, Buffalo; E. N. Shelton, Connecticut.

At the Metropolitan—H. B. Walbridge, Toledo; D. B. Hinckley, San Francisco; James Edmond, Boston; Dr. Long, Athens; Mr. J. D. Webster, Chicago; Jules Du Coller, Virginia; J. E. Nichols, Frovidence; E. Huron, Philadelphia. At the Astor—Hon. L. Bancroft, Albany; Hon. J. B. Bottler, Columbus; Judge Dean, Poughkeepsic; C. F. Pend. Hartford; General Martin, Albany; Captala Sleuner, Teledo.

Hartford: General Martin, Albany; Capiala Slenner, Teledo.

At the Irving—Her. R. T. McPherson, Toronte, C. W.; A. Yonne, Philadelphia; C. Foota, Bridgeport; M. Ralegk, Philadelphia; J. W. Butler, Beston,
From Savanrah, in steamship Florida—J Alexander, S. S. Austin, H. Bishon, J. N. Bourns, J. C. Bennan, T. Brenan, Miss E. Clark, Miss E. Clark, Worderton, S. Carroll, P. Conniff, S. Dickey, D. M. Dennicos, Miss Sphenster, Kim Ebeketz, A. Fistley, Mrs J. H. Foato, J. W. Gilbert, Krn. Hunter, Master Hunter, J. Haller and Iady, J. Z. Joyce, Miss M. Lossee, M. H. Leng, Mrs B. Melville, J. McDouzall, Miss Sandra, J. Maunder, Miss Mann, H. M. Morse, H. Middletzock, Mr Margo and Iady, Misses A and F. Marce, J. M. Pesas W. H. Safford, Roy R. Lechonmaker, Mrs Sheddon, Mr. Scheldon, Miss Scheldon, Miss Scheldon, Miss Wilcox, Miss Wilcox, Goo Ward and Iady, Mrs. J. Wilcox, and 39 others.

Board of Councilmen. This Board mes at 5 o'clock last evening-President

Conover in the chair. The . winutes of the last meeting were read and approved; after which the Board pro-

ceeded to the

1HIRD EXCEPTING OF HILLS,
When the following or innances, and resolutions were
adopted amongst many offers:—
Report of Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips, in
favor of extending pier at 186 foot o. Harrison street,
North were

Report of Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips, in favor of extending pier at the foot o. Harrison street, North river.

Report of Committee on Fire Departme wt, in favor of non-ceneuring to suspend Engine Compa vy No. 46, and in favor of disbanding said company.

Report of Committee on Cleaning Streets, in favor of the acoption of ordinance for the supplyment of waterlight box carts for the removal of refuse matter from savers and basins. The sum of \$4.030 was apprepriated to carry out the ordinance.

Report of Committee on Police, in favor of payingolatim of John Colvin and James Bryan, while acting as-lieutenants of Ninetsenth ward police.

Report of Committee on Finance, in favor of donable \$5,000 to Demit biapensary.

The Clerk then proceeded to read ninety seven papers relating to the remission of taxes, sawerage, street flegging and repairing, providing of hose and houses for fire companies, and other matters, none of which possessed any public inferest.

Presentation of petitions was saxt in order. A petition was presented asking for the running of city railroad cars on the line of the Hudson River Railroad.

It was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A petition from the Board, was read and referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Resolutions were next called for. The following resolution was adopted, on motion of Mr. PINCKNEY.—Received, That the Clerk of the Common Council be, and is hereby, directed to report to this Board, at its next meeting, the amount paid heretofore to Massers. Baker & McSpedon for printing the City Charter and Kent's Notes.

It was resolved that when the Board adjourn it adjourn to meet on the first Monday in June.

It was resolved, on motion of Mr. Pinckney.—Received, until the business of the monthly session is concluded.

The Board then adjourned.

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United States District Court. Before Hen. Judge Ingersoll.

THE DUTIES OF A GRAND JURY. MAY 23 .- The Grand Jury entered court this morning, and made some inquiries of the Judge respecting their power to ignore bills of indictment when they deemed the evidence insufficient to establish a case before a petty

The Court, in advising them, remarked that it was necessary that twelve of their body should find in favor of the bill or it was virtually dismissed, and need no further action; it was not therefore necessary for them to go through the formality of dismissing or ignoring the bill, because, if the District Attorney acquire new evidence, he might bring the matter before the succeeding Grand Jury. If there were not twelve in favor of the indictment, then it drops dead for want of action if the District Attorney hands in a bill, the Grand Jury have a right to say they ignored the bill, and then the accusation had no legal effect. The State laws might timpose other rules, but they cannot govern the laws of the United States. If a bill is not found during the term against a man who is in custody the court may, in its discretion, say whether he should be continued on parties out on ball. The practice of the State courts can have no effect here.

The Grand Jury again retired to their room.

We were given to understand that the cause of these inquiries was a difference of opinion among the Grand Jurors as to their action on some charges preferred against highly respectable ship merchants for selling wares to parties alleged to have been engaged in the slave trace. A portion of the Grand Jury think that even on the exparte testimony brought before them the bill ought to be ignored.

Before Chief Justice Nelson. The Court, in advising them, remarked that it was

Before Chief Justice Nelson.

Betosision on Appeal in Admirative.

May 21.—The Ship Phaniz et Joseph W. Hancot.—
Naison, J.—This is a libel filed by liamcot, master of the steamboat Hero, against the sinp Themit, to recover camages for an injury that occurred to the former on the morring of the cith Angues, 1855, in a slip at the foot of cyring street, on the North river. The Hero was into the south electron of the south side of pier No. 43 and next the foot of the atreat. There were two vessels of just at the cutrance of the slip, on the south side of pier No. 44, heading into the slip. There was also a lighter lying aloogside of the Phenix, under her statoscar bow. The rutrance into the slip was thus centracted, making the manacuries of the Hero somewhat difficult in face ing into her berth between the vessels, especially as the night was very dark. She became weeged in between the lighter and dark street sackening the fascenings of the lighter, and and site sackening the fascenings of the lighter, and and site of the was she should be such as the site of the record came in the same she was the site of the record came in the same she was the site of the record came in the same she was the site of the record came in the same she was the ground of the complaint in the libel is, that the brane's no heart the Phenix impropril neglected to brace her yards, especially the main yard, which extends some ten or water feet over the side of the vessel, and occasioned the damage that occurred. The respondents deay negligence in not bracing her yards, and also charge list the damage was occasioned by the mismangement of the steamboat in bedright the was should be captured to be as unto the sing. The single shall be shall be

IN ADMIRALTY. Before Hon. Judge Ingersoll.

rison, her tackle, dc .- This was a libel brought to re-cover about \$400 for ship chandlery furnished the above cover about \$400 for ship chandlery furnished the above steamboat during summer and fall of 18:4. The defence was that she was a domestic vessel and as to all the items of the account which accrued before the 18th November, 1854, the lien was lost bicause she went out of the State to Newark, and as to all the items which accrued 'after the 18th November, 1854, there was no lien, because they did not amount to 850. It appeared that on the 18th November, 1854, the vessel towed a barge to Newark. The libellant insisted that his account was a running account and was not due until the last item, and therefore the lien was not due until the last item, and therefore the lien was not lost; and even if the claim of the defendants was correct, or that the vessel wort out of the State on the 18th November, the statute did not apply because they suddenly and secretly went out of the state. The District Judge decided the cause upon these points, namely, that in his judgment

more particularly to cases where the rights of third parties were havelved, especially in its provision that the lien should be lost when the vessel went out of the State; and in this case it appeared that the man who was owner of the best when the supplies were turnished, was the man who claimed and intervened in this suit for the vessel; and as no third party had acquired any right or title to the vessel, no one therefore, was prejudiced by the lien, and he thought it would be grossly inequitable to apply the stat uto to such a case. How was the case to be decided with that question staring him in the face? He was not prepared to say that he would hold any such construction of the statute in favor of the man who bought the supplies. It was not necessary, his Honor said, to decide the case was this, conceding that the views of the defendant's coursel were correct in he, did the verwell in point of fact go out of the State within the meaning of the act in the 6th Hill, Hancox vs. Beming, the Su preme Court decided that going out of the State within the meaning of the statute. It must be a regular departure in pursuance of her usual well known and recognized employs a test—so that creditors knowing that he vessel was engaged in a regular bussuess, trading out of the State, and the state within the meaning of the control of the sum of the state within the statute as a waive of him. Applying those principles to this case, the court said it here appears that this vessel was just completed, for a particular kind of business, to to valout the harbor, and the next day after her completion she makes this voyage, unknown to the libellant, to Newark, and after her return gets the supplies of him. Such a departure was not, in my judgment, within the statute, and it would be grossly inequitable, where no third party's right had intervened to hold it of him. The learned Judge therefore decreed for libellant, with reference to a commiscioner to compute amount due, with costs. D. McMahon for libellant; W. J. Haskett, for resp

# Anniversary of the United Americans in New

Anniversary of the United Americans in New Jersey.

[From the Newark Mercury, May 25]

The seventh anniversary of the organization of the order of United Americans in this State, was celebrated last evening in the Clinton street M. E. Church. The church was crowded and the proceedings throughout were of a highly interesting character. The members of the order in this city convened at 0 U. A Hall at 7 o'clock, and proceeded thence in a body to the church, where, as they entered, they were of course the "observed of all observers," they were the usual regalia, and turned out in atrong numbers. The exercises of the evening commenced with prayer by Rev. Mr. Brice, after which there was appropriate music by Dunckles's Glee Club. Jeseph P. Bradey, Edg., was then introduced, at this speech was received with the greatest applause. Mr. Jehn Y. Foster then followed in a speech of considerable length.

The exercises concluded with singing by Dunckles's Glee Club, and the benediction by Rev. Mr. Cox.

The grand officers of this State have recently instituted three new chapters of the Order of United Americans. The following are their rames and numbers:—Washing, ton Reck, No. 24; Somerset, No. 25, and Weston, No. 26. Thus thus excellent order is branching itself throughout the country, showing conclusively that its principles are appreciated by the American people.

News by Matt.

The Cambridge students who were arrested in Boston has week for disorderly conduct, assaulting an officer, &c., have been expelled from the college by the vote of the faculty.

A number of additional charges are to be brought against ex-Postmaster Kendall, at New Orleans, for embezziement of morey in letters.

Monday, free of duty, under the reciprocity treaty.

A fire occurred in New Orleans on the 16th inst. in a
frame house on Hevis street, between St. John and St.
Peter streets, occupied by Mr. S. Korker, which commuicated to a kitchen acjouing, both of which were
quickly consumed. It then spread to double tenements
on lievas street, belonging to Sewell T. Taylor. They
were occupied by Capt. F. Moynan, the chief of police,
Mr. Vaughan and family, Mr. Lee, and another family.
Four frame houses were also burned on St. Peter street.
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A despatch from Mobile says that a fire occurred in that city on Saturday, at the corner of Government and Emanuel streets. The residence of J. R. Bostwick, on Government street, hardware store of Caleb Price adjoining, and five other buildings, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

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The story about the Rev. Mr. Chase running away with another man's wife at Brunswick, near Troy, turns out to be false.

The Parkersburg (Va.) News anumerates Caswell's

saw mill, planing machine, notion factory, grist mill, &c., and Kelley's foundry and machine abop, as having teen swept away by the fire to that place on the 17th inst. The total loss is estimated at rom \$12,000 to

\$13,000.

On the 10th inst, the stann lumber establishment of Smith & McCalle, at Chattanooga, Ala., together with the outbulkings, and a large quantity of number and timber were destroyed by Sic. Loss, \$40,000.

The dwelling house of P. B. Manchester, the Cincinnati Spancier, was sold on the 21st inst., says the Concinnati Spacete, for \$18,000, and the Pest Office building for \$12,300. There was a mortgage of \$12,000 on the dwelling house, and probably a heavy one on the Post office building. The balances will leave but a few drops in the bucket, to divide among those who were so unfortunate as to have deposited their money with this 'private banker.'

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Wells B. Badwell, foreman on the railroad near Hamil-ton, C. W., was murdered on the 18th inst., by two Irisi men named James O'Donnell and John Houlsghan. The Canadian Parliament will be prorogued on the 28th inst.

28th inst.

A train of fourteen passenger cars passed through Utica on the 22d inst, which contained over eight hundred emigrants—mostly Germans—bound for the West.

On the 19th inst sixty two cars, filled with cattle, left Rochester for the East, drawn by three locomotives. This is said to have been the largest number of cattle ever taken along the Central road at any one time. Estimating twenty animals for each car, and the total is 1,240.

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The Rochester Union says there will be no more prosecutions in that city for violations of the Maine law, until after July 4.

An explosion of a steam drying cylinder took place on the 21st inst. at the Edgeworth rubber factory, Mass., whereby a man named Moore was so seriously injured that he survived the accident but half an hour. The Governor of Canada has approved the bill to abolish postage on newspapers.

According to a cersus just taken there are 34,463 male adults in Hamilton county, Ohio, including the city of Cincinnati.

On the 21st isst. a salute was fired in Boston by the friends of the nullification Personal Liberty bill, in consequence of its passage over the veto of the Governor. requence of its passage over the vato of the Governor.

Cap'ain Batchelor, of the steamer Americas, which was destroyed by fire, when about leaving Pittsburg wanted a segar, and stepped into a store to get one. There he met an insurance agent, to whom ne carelessly proposed having the cargo. It was done, and on that rap the Americas was burned. That segar cost the insurance company about \$50,000.

Hermann Weisenborn has been recognized by the President of the United States, as Consul of the Princes of Reuss, for New York.

It is stated that three or four thousand hogs have lately been slaughtered in Greeneastis, in, for the use of the army in the Crimea. Contracts for 30,000 head for the same purpose have been made with different parties throughout the State.

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Berryman, is now in Tampa bay, Fia, engaged in making a survey of its capacity and depth of water as a commercial harbor. This will be the first thorough and satisfactory examination of the waters of Tampa, made by one adequate to the performance of the duty.

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The New York Fancy in Portland, Ms.—Yesterday roon there arrived in this city about a dozen New York prize fighting bullies, va the Atlantic road. They were of the class of Tom Hyer and Yankee Sullivan, hard-headed, hard-fisted whiskey drinkers—and very desirous of continually "punching somebody's head." They had been up to Canada to settle a prize fight, but were driven back over the line by the terrors of the riot act, backed by a strong police force. At Island Pond, yesterday morning, they had an amateur ergagement, to give them an spetite for breakfast. At Bethel they had another tiff; and in the cars they were pitching into each other quite promiscuously along the route, just to pass away the time pleasantly. Several of the car windows were broken out, with holes about the size of a manches.

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Mayor Dow had been telegraphed of their arrival, and requested to detain them. He was accordingly at the cars with a strong force, but as they did not interfere with him he did not meddle with them. One of the bulles wanted to know how many policemen were there. He was told, about thirty. "Thirty!" said he, "make it sixty and we'll whip the crowd." They passed on west, and honored Boston with their presence last evening. We shouldn't wonder if the police reports of today, in that city, were unusually interesting. We never saw men more desirous that somebody should "tread on the tails of their coats." But the idea of whipping our entire police force with thirty added to it! That's the greatest joke of the whole—Portland Argus, May 24.

Daniel M. Huckins, of Massachusetts, to be Count of the United States for the port of Caps Town, at the Caps of Good Hoge.

Our Washington Corres, 20, 1denee.
WASHINGTON, May 24, 1866.

The Kansas Difficulty-Mr. Pierce and the Abolilionist Threatened Trouble with the Cuban Auth orities-Ou Relations with Spaint.

The Reeder difficulty is but commencias. The President was informed yesterday that in the event of the Pennsylvanian being returned, as bad been determined upon, during the absence of Sathrie and Dobbin, that these gentlemen, together with the Secretary of War, would resign their seats in the Cobinet. It is worth y of note that less conversation has been had by the Yresident with the gentlemen above named on the Kamats troubles, including the return of Reeder, than with the remainder of the Cabinet who are from free Scates, and in favor of Reeder's course while in Komsas. A separation upon this question, of the Cabiney, at ourse opens the war between the North and South, which will not be closed until the question of Southern separation and independence of the free States become a fixed fact, or on the other hand that the South be made a dependence upon the whims and caprices of Northern abolitionism; and in this form has the subject been presented to Gom

to luselent and threatening letters which have been sent him by leading abolitionists, and has even sunk himself so low as to reason with them the questions of w form of government best suited to the wards and interests of Kansas. These important letters were written and transmitted without the observance of the usual courtesy hitherto adopted by American Presidents or subjects of serious moment—a consultation with his Cabinet. It is clearly ascertained that General Pierce has been directed in some of his late movementa by Douglas, of Illinois, especially in relation to Kansas, and it is by his advice that Parks, the late abolition editor, has set out to engage as counsel the filinois Senator, who has expressed sympathy in his case. The motives suggesting this strange course of conduct on the part of Mr Douglas, can but be guessed at, but it is shrewdly surmised that a rupture of the Cabinet bas something to do with it, for, notwithstanding his disclaimer in the Union, the Senator is at work for the next Presidency, with a majority of the present Cabinet opposed to him, who must be got out of the way, together with those who are dependent upon office for a livelihood, and entertain the views of their leaders upon this subject. Every employé of the government having a vote in Virginia, has been permitted to visit his place of residence, with an understonding that he was to cast his vote for Wise. There are a few who have not solicited this privilege, and who, for their obstinacy, at the end of the month will be informed that their services are no longer required. This is the anti-proscriptive government that Pierce had pledged himself to give the prople. to Kansas, and it is by his advice that Parks, the late

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He not surprised to learn in a few days, that difficulties have taken place between our squadron under the command of Com. McChuley, and the Spanish forces sent out to protect Cubs. Secretary Dobbin issued, immediately upon his return to Washington, instructions, with orders for the squadron to proceed at once to Cubs. and there await the result of a demand made by the Secretary of State for instant referea, and sent out to our Consul for presentation to Concha. A refusal to accede at once to the demands of the United States, I am informed, will be the signal for the Commodere's departure in pursuit of the Spanish vessels of war that outraged our flag by firing upon American vessels. This satisfaction must at once be given, or the vessels will be claimed as prizes of the United States. This demand, it is expected, will meet with resistance on the part of the Spanish's, but our vessels are prepared for every contingency, and our commanders have been locking forward with interest for the moment when they might engage in a more active service than is generally to be had in playing the diplomat. The resent information from Spain received by the Department of State, and the intelligence conveyed to Mr. Dobbin through reliable rources whilst on his late visit to the South, have hastened a crisis that there is no receding from with bonor to the United States. It is supposed that Concha, seeing that our government is at last in earnest, will yield a cheerful compliance by making restitution, and giving new pledges for his good behavior hereafter. This, however, will soon be placed beyond surmise.

The Union of this city, for the last two or three days has evinced a becoming sensibility for its reputation in maling denials of some charges and statements sent by your correspondent and published letter of our acting Minister's request, and information w

Political Intelligence.

The following government employes in the Norfolk Navy Yard have been removed—cause Know Nothingiam—vir.:—L. W. Williams, foreman of joiners, James W. Matthews, quarterman of bolt drivers; and Joseph Anderson and Moses Quaries, overseers of laborers.

The official returns of the votes at the recent election in New Hampshire have been published. The votes for members of Congress were as follows:—First district—George W. Kittredge (dem.), 9,799; James Pite (K. N.), 13,01; scattering, 80. Second district—George W. Morrison (dem.), 8,640; Mason W. Tappan (K. N.), 12,129; scattering, 11. Third district—William P. Wheeler (5em.), 8,640; Aaron H. Cragin (K. N.), 12,126; scattering, 24.

Hon. A. H. Colquit, who represented the Second district of Georgia in the last Congress, declines a re-non-L. B. Carmichael, Esq., of Wilkes, bas been nomin

ed as the American cardidate for Congress in the Eighth district of North Carolins, in opposition to the Hon. T. L. Clirgman. We learn from the Savannah Georgian that Senates

vens in his grounds of opposition to the new political organization.

The late Legislature of Massachusetts will be remembered for some time for its many unique sayings and
cologs. During a recent debate on a railroad bill, an
honorable member of the senate charged the other with
having been bribed, whereupon the latter unbosomed
himself to the following effect:—"Mr. President, the Senator has charged me with changing my position. I
deny it, sir!—It is false i and if he repeate it, I will ram
it down his throat." No reply was made to this, and
the Senate soon sought relief in adjournment.

The amendments to the constitution of Massachusetts, passed a year since, approved by the last Legislature, bave now been adopted by the popular rote. The
amendments are:—last, a plurality system of election; Cyd; a change in the day of the State election in Presicential years; 3d, election of connecliors, in districts, by
the people; 4th, the election of Secretary of State and
other administrative State officers by the people; 5th,
against appropriating money to sectarian achools; 6th,
against appropriating the courts, &z., by the people.

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Colonel Dorsey, of Coosa county, Ala., has declined becoming a candidate for Congress, because his wife wants bim at home.

Hon Nathaniel G Taylor, whig, is up for a re-election to Congress in the First district of Tennessee, in opposition to Mr. Wathines. They are both Kasew Nothings, and the American paper in Dandridge refuses to support either, but says they are both talented and worthy men. A meeting was held on the 2th inst., at Manayam Philedelphia, in favor of "open American organization. Among the speakers were reter Sten Smith and Jok Henry Jones. The meeting is said to have been well a tanded.

A meeting of abolitionists is to be held in Jeff. Ohio, on the 7th of June, for the purpose of "g voice to their feelings and cetermination, os the r attacks upon the freedom of elections in Kansas"

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The St. Louis Intelligencer formally takes leave of the whig party, and announces its withcrawal in the following terms:—"We have renounced the old whig party as dead forever. It did not get three hundred votes in St. Louis last April. Its organization is abandoned in Kentucky—abandoned in Virginia—abandoned everywhere. That party can never be revived as a national party. We oppose the whig party as a thing of the part.

WAR BETWEEN THE PRESS AND THE JUDICIARY IN INDIANA.—Judge Pritt (inte United States Senator from Indiana.) says the Lafayette Journal, upon the motion of one of the attorneys for Cearies Mills, now on trial in that town for murder, made the following order at the opening of Court on Friday morning:—Ordered, by the Court, as a standing rule of this Court, that during the trial of any murder case, no newspaper of this county shall publish any rolling, or pretended valing, or any evidence or pretended evidence therein, or the Journal concludes.